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Employee Assistance Program counselor, determines that such disclosure could have an adverse effect on you. If the Chief Privacy Officer makes that determination, we will provide the information to a licensed physician or other appropriate representative that you designate, who may disclose those records to you in a manner he or she deems appropriate.

§ 261a.8 Request for amendment of record.

- (a) Procedures for making request.
- (1) If you wish to amend a record that pertains to you in a system of records, you may submit the request in writing to the Secretary of the Board (or to the Inspector General for records in a system of records maintained by the OIG) in an envelope clearly marked "Privacy Act Amendment Request."
- (2) Your request for amendment of a record must—
- (i) Identify the system of records containing the record for which amendment is requested:
- (ii) Specify the portion of that record requested to be amended; and
- (iii) Describe the nature of and reasons for each requested amendment.
- (3) We will require you to verify your identity under the procedures set forth in §261a.5(c) of this part, unless you have already done so in a related request for access or amendment.
- (b) Burden of proof. Your request for amendment of a record must tell us why you believe the record is not accurate, relevant, timely, or complete. You have the burden of proof for demonstrating the appropriateness of the requested amendment, and you must provide relevant and convincing evidence in support of your request.

§ 261a.9 Board review of request for amendment of record.

- (a) Time limits. We will acknowledge your request for amendment of your record within 10 business days after we receive your request. In the acknowledgment, we may request additional information necessary for a determination on the request for amendment. We will make a determination on a request to amend a record promptly.
- (b) Contents of response to request for amendment. When we respond to a re-

quest for amendment, we will tell you whether your request is granted or denied. If we grant your request, we will take the necessary steps to amend your record and, when appropriate and possible, notify prior recipients of the record of our action. If we deny the request, in whole or in part, we will tell you—

- (1) Why we denied the request (or portion of the request);
- (2) That you have a right to appeal; and
 - (3) How to file an appeal.

§ 261a.10 Appeal of adverse determination of request for access or amendment.

- (a) Appeal. You may appeal a denial of a request made pursuant to §261a.5 or §261a.8 of this part within 10 business days after we notify you that we denied your request. Your appeal must—
- (1) Be made in writing with the words "PRIVACY ACT APPEAL" written prominently on the first page and addressed to the Secretary of the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20551:
- (2) Specify the background of the request; and
- (3) Provide reasons why you believe the initial denial is in error.
- (b) Determination. We will make a determination on your appeal within 30 business days from the date we receive it, unless we extend the time for good cause.
- (1) If we grant your appeal regarding a request for amendment, we will take the necessary steps to amend your record and, when appropriate and possible, notify prior recipients of the record of our action.
- (2) If we deny your appeal, we will inform you of such determination, tell you our reasons for the denial, and tell you about your rights to file a statement of disagreement and to have a court review our decision.
- (c) Statement of disagreement. (1) If we deny your appeal regarding a request for amendment, you may file a concise statement of disagreement with the denial. We will maintain your statement with the record you sought to amend